

"Green Hill" Granary
Virginia Road No. 728
Long Island Vicinity
Campbell County
Virginia

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Address: Virginia Road No. 728, Long Island Vicinity
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Present Owner: L. H. Holland and brothers

Present Use: Presently used by the owners for crop storage and
stock barn.

PART I. HISTORICAL INFORMATION

Physical History: "Green Hill" plantation was built by Samuel Pannill who first bought 600 acres from William and Moses Fuqua in 1797, and added to and developed the plantation til his death in 1864. According to a date stone in the south wall, the granary was built in 1821.

PART II. ARCHITECTURAL INFORMATION

A. General Statement

1. Architectural character: The granary, dated 1821, has undergone several changes on the exterior and its early use is not definitely known. It is now used as a storage barn for field crops and for raising stock.
2. Condition of fabric: Portions of the stone masonry walls have started to fail. Interior and gable framing members on both floors are in good condition.

B. Technical Description of Exterior

1. Overall dimensions: Approximately 30' x 64', one-and-a-half stories high.
2. Foundations: Field stone
3. Wall construction: Field stone laid in random ashlar to the eave level; joints pointed with inverted v type mortar finish. Gable ends are 3" x 4" stud walls with weatherboarding.
4. Openings:
 - a. Doorways and doors: Existing openings do not represent original openings in masonry walls. At present, there are two doorways in the south wall, both without original doors. One masonry opening is located in the

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east end apparently designed to allow wagons to be driven into the building (about 10' wide), no existing doors. One exterior doorway is located in the east gable end designed for access into the loft space on the second floor, with a gin pole over opening. Original trim is still intact around this opening.

- b. Windows and shutters: Two windows in west end, one window in the masonry wall, and one window, centrally located, in the gable end on second floor. Two windows on south side, one of which is covered over. Several original openings, with flat stone arches still in place, have been closed up with stone.

5. Roof:

- a. Shape, covering: Gable roof covered at present with sheet metal.
- b. Eaves: Overhanging joists are covered with a beaded fascia board and soffit board, in part missing. Weatherboarding on gable ends extends to the fascia. A tapered and beaded edge verge board extends down the rake of the roof to complete the finish over the weatherboarding.

C. Technical Description of Interior

- 1. Floor plans: First floor is divided in two parts; the west end, about one-half of the structure, is one space presently used for hay storage. The east half is divided into stalls and used for stock, with the center of the space an alleyway or access through the stall area. The corners of the west room are built diagonally across with stone masonry. A beam supported by 8" square columns runs across the center of the west space. The second floor is one large loft space.
- 2. Stairways: One stairway is located against the west wall. It is constructed of open treads either notched into or nailed to stringers.
- 3. Flooring: West part has wooden floor; east part, dirt floor. Second floor covered with wooden flooring.
- 4. Wall and ceiling finish: Exposed stone masonry on the interior. Exposed ceiling on first floor shows beaded joists covered with flooring above. Unpainted. Second floor has exposed ceiling of 3" x 4" rafters, sheathing boards, and present sheet metal roofing.

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5. Doorways and doors: One interior board and batten door on second floor at head of stairs.
6. Hardware: Wooden latches on second floor.

D. Site

1. General setting and orientation: Granary is located in one corner of the garden area which is enclosed, by a stone fence, and in opposite corner from the "duck house." The granary forms part of the enclosed area with the stone fences abutting the building on the west and north sides.
2. Walks, drives: A cobblestone drive is located about 15' to the south running parallel to building.

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